(c) *Value-wise percentage share of the countries from where oilseeds were imported during the last financial year is as under:—

Country	Percentage Share
Australia	Negligible
Belgium	2.8
Ghana	0.9
Mayanmar	58.5
Nepal	20.6
Nigeria	2.2
Pakistan	0.9
Singapore	1.5
Turkey	1.9
UAE	1.6
U.K.	Negligible
USA	9.1

*Source: Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT), Ministry of Commerce.

Storage capacity of FCI in Andhra Pradesh

480. SHRI K.M. SAIFULLAH: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Andhra Pradesh Government has urged to take necessary measures to increase storage capacity of FCI in the State for adequate procurement of rice; and

(b) if so, the action proposed to acquire additional storage capacity of 15 lakh tonnes in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) Under Seven Year Guarantee Scheme storage capacity for 15 lakh MT was sanctioned for Andhra Pradesh in June and August, 2001 (5 lakh MT in June, 2001 and 10 lakh MT in August, 2001). This storage capacity is being constructed through Andhra Pradesh State Warehousing Corporation. The

Central Warehousing Corporation is also building storage capacity of 1.66 lakh MT in A.P. under Seven Year Guarantee Scheme.

Another proposal for additional storage capacity of 15 lakh MT has been recently received from the Government of A.P.

Wheat at export price to bakers of Maharashtra

481. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal for allocation of wheat at export price rate @Rs. 415/- per quintal, to the bakers in Maharashtra to enable them to distribute Pav/Bread at reduced price to substantial number of poor people in urban and rural areas;

(b) if so, whether Government are considering their proposal; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. A proposal had been received from the Federation of Maharashtra Bakers Associations for release of 1 lakh M.T. of wheat per month for the next two years, through the State Government of Maharashtra at the export price of Rs. 415/- per quintal for producing bakery products at cheaper rates. At present, there is no scheme for providing wheat to bakeries for conversion to bakery products. The bakeries are free to purchase wheat under the Open Market Sale Scheme of wheat. The issue price of wheat under this scheme in the West Zone is Rs. 695/- per quintal. A discount of Rs. 40/- per quintal is also available for the wheat crop 2001-2002 of Punjab, Haryana and U.P. (some districts).

Revival of sugar industry

482. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that sugar industry in the country is in trouble due to wrong policies, particularly, the monthly release mechanism of sugar;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) what steps have been taken by Government to revive the sugar industry; and